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For: MASSAGE PROGRAM CONTROL METHOD,

MASSAGE MACHINE USING THE METHOD, AND CONTROLLER FOR THE MASSAGE

MACHINE

AMENDMENT FILED CONCURRENTLY WITH REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the final Office Action dated October 8, 2008, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.